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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application No.: 09/915,293

Examiner: B. Tran

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For: EXHAUST EMISSION CONTROL SYSTEM FOR INTERNAL
COMBUSTION ENGINE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.121

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated September 20, 2004, entry of the following amendment is respectfully requested.